

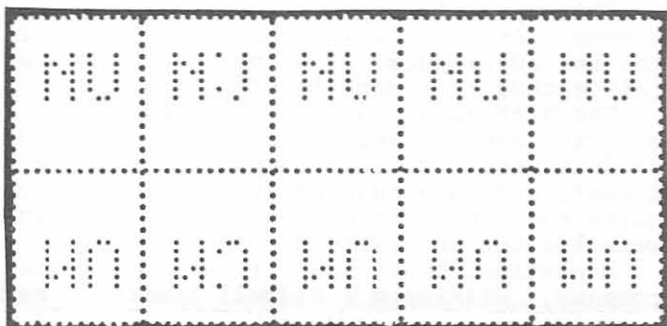
UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA PERFIN

Member Art Atkinson (5109 A Street, Lincoln, NE 68510) recently visited the University of Nebraska's postal branch and came away with some interesting information about the UN Perfin of the University.

Art says the pattern should be very common since every stamp of every denomination used by the University in Lincoln is Perfinned immediately upon being purchased.

The perforator is a 5-head, or 5-die, Cummins electric, model 390. The current perforator was purchased in 1974 and replaces a machine that was in continuous use for 20 years. The old machine was sold at auction and there is no record of its present owner.

As the illustration below shows, the five dies have some differences, mostly because of broken pins. The broken pins are probably the result of carelessness--of attempts being made to perforate too many thicknesses of stamps at one time.



Art says he will supply examples of the five UN Perfins to members who send him reimbursement along with a stamped, self addressed envelope for their return.

The five stamps show up well on 1¢ regular issues, but Arthur can likely supply the Perfin on any current definitive.

Using a commem on your letter to Art is, of course, an expected courtesy.